

REMARKS

This is in response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed March 6, 2008 (Paper No. 20080226).

The Examiner requires restriction between the following species in the above-identified application:

Species 1 – the embodiment of figures 1-4 (including element 46)

Species 2 – the embodiment of figure 5 (including element upper lip of 24)

Species 3 – the embodiment of figure 6 (including element 53)

Species 4 – the embodiment of figure 7 (including element 54)

Species 5 – the embodiment of figure 8 (including element 40b)

Species 6 – the embodiment of figure 9 (including element 43)

Species 7 – the embodiment of figure 10 (including element 56)

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully elect **Species 5 encompassing the embodiment of Figure 8**, without traverse, for continued examination. Since the elected species 5 is not completely captured by any of the current dependent claims, Applicants respectfully submit new dependent claim 17 for consideration. Claim 17 is directed to the two flange arrangement illustrated in the figure. Support for this claim can be found in the application at page 22, ln. 26 through page 23, ln. 8, as well as in Figure 8. As such, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1 and 17 are readable on the elected species. Applicants also respectfully submit that claim 1 is generic to all the illustrated species.

Applicants also submit herewith a replacement set of drawings, namely Figures 1-28, with English text.

We assume that the above is fully responsive to the current Office Action. If further issues persist, we invite the Examiner to call the undersigned at the below noted number.

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